

DRIVER'S RALLY CAP CORSE

From 28 May to 1 June, 2025



See you in Erbalunga!

From Wednesday, 28 May to Sunday 1 June 2025

This is a story about friendship. A long-standing friendship between two people with a passion for cars and motor racing. I first met Christian Mons-Catoni in 1973, when he became an instructor at the Chamonix ice-driving school. A three-time sports-prototype driver at the Le Mans 24 Hours, and having been a director and instructor at the Winfield driving school in Magny-Cours, he later returned to the corporate world, building a successful business career.

Throughout the years, his love of Corsica has remained steadfast. In 1996, he took over the family business in Porticciolo, located north of Bastia. After a mammoth operation, he transformed the centu-

ries-old estate by recultivating neglected land and planting vines and olive trees, resulting in superb organic wines and olive oils.

During the Driver's Rally Bolgheri, he said to me «How about a Driver's Rally in Cap Corse?». I went there to see for myself and was instantly won over by the idea.

Needless to say, with his background as a driver and in-depth knowledge of Cap Corse, this event promises to be an exceptional experience!

Looking forward to seeing you in Cap Corse from Wednesday 28 May to Sunday 1 June 2025!

Sportingly yours, Franz Hummel

SO, WHAT'S THE DRIVER'S RALLY SPIRIT LIKE?

Exclusive get-together rallies • 24 cars at the most to ensure an exceptionally friendly atmosphere • One base camp to make your logistics easier • Stages of under 200 km to enjoy the full experience • Restaurants and wines, selected with great care •

DRIVER'S RALLY

CAP CORSE

2025

WELCOME TO CAP CORSE!

After Italy and Bolgheri, we now invite you to the most Italian of the French islands! Just 96 km from Livorno and 160 km from Genoa, Cap Corse is Corsica's largest coastal stretch. Boasting incredible landscapes, it offers a wealth of unspoilt natural beauty.

This peninsula, which is 40 km long and 15 km wide, is divided lengthways by the Serra, a chain of peaks that runs from north to south. Jutting out into the sea, the mountain is known in Corsican as «l'isola de l'isola» (the isle of the isle). The highest point reaches 1,324 m and it features more than 10 peaks with altitudes of over 1,000 m.

The landscape is dominated by Genoese towers, which

account for a third of all those in Corsica. Barbarian pirates were not welcome!

Our 3-stage road trip rally covers just under 200 km per day. The route will take you around Cap Corse and includes some of the region's most stunning villages.

The Driver's Rally Cap Corse is an event open to all types of sports, classic and modern cars of all generations.

It will take place totally on public roads. This means that the highway code must be strictly observed for the entire route.

The road book is signed off and registrations are officially open. Get ready to enjoy a fun-packed rally in the company of fellow enthusiasts!

THREE STAGES BETWEEN THE SEA AND SKY

First stage: Erbalunga > Centuri > Erbalunga :

A stage across Cap Corse, running along the coastline.

Second stage: Erbalunga > Saint Florent > Erbalunga

A stage exploring the north-west of the island and its incredible routes.

Third stage: Erbalunga > Stazzona > Erbalunga

A stage covering the north-east of the island, including the renowned section passing in front of the iconic church of La Porta, on the special stage of the Tour de Corse, during the World Rally Championship.

WHERE ?

Erbalunga - Corse - France

WHEN?

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WHAT ?

An event open to automobiles whether they're sporty, classical or modern, of any age, any type, total number limited.

HOW?

Just under 600 km in 3 days, all departing from Erbalunga.

HOW MUCH ?

3 700,00 € HT, soit 4 440,00 € TTC (TVA 20 %) per participating team, all-inclusive price (apart from accommodation).



Franz Hummel
Racing driver, record holder and event organiser.

As a child, he would watch his father race round the mythical Autodrome de Linas-Montlhéry, close to Paris. And, since that moment, the car bug's never left him!

As a racing driver, he finished 3rd in the 1973 Volant Shell on the Magny-Cours Circuit and became an instructor for the prestigious Winfield Racing School. In 1975, he took part in his first 24 Hours of Le Mans with a Lola Roc 2 liters. In 1977, he raced in the Monte Carlo Rally with a Renault Alpine and the 24 Hours of Le Mans with a Porsche 934 Turbo. In 1986, along with Jean-Pierre Malcher, he won the 6th edition of the 24-hour Chamonix Ice Race with a Works sponsored Citroën Visa. In 1992, he participated in the 1st edition of Paris-Moscow-Beijing.

As a record holder, he has literally pulverized several cross continental times, including the solo drive from Cape Town to Algiers [[Vidéo click: Transafrican Challenge 1990](#)]. With this still-unbeaten record, he won the «1991 Master of Human Adventure» adventure ahead of Hubert Auriol & Ari Vatanen.



PS. Almost 50 years after taking part in the Monte Carlo Rally, Franz has rekindled his passion for Alpine by becoming the proud owner of an A110 GT..

Franz was awarded the Legion of Honour in 2006 by the great mountaineer Maurice Herzog for his motor racing achievements and as automobile event organiser, his second passion.

He was involved in the 1970 Ronde Hivernale (Wintertime Round) and continued to develop the 24-hour Chamonix Ice Race. Based on an idea from Rémi Depoix, Franz launched the Festival Automobile de Chamonix hand-in-hand with Rémi. Franz also created ice races in Canada, Finland, Italy and Russia with the FIA. As well as Les Week-Ends de l'Excellence Automobile de Reims-Gueux and Les Grandes Heures Automobiles... on the Autodrome where he would watch his father race.

Christian Mons-Catoni
Racing driver, businessman, organic wine producer and native of the region

Christian can't stand still. He may have stopped his racing career a few years ago, but the desire to move forward is still his driving force.

A law graduate at just 19, he interrupted his studies to become a professional racing driver in the 1970s. He was even director of the Winfield driving school in Magny-Cours for four years and an instructor at the Chamonix ice driving school, at the same time as Franz.

Christian then returned to the corporate world to join the Dassault Group. This was followed by other positions such as managing the French subsidiary of Control Data for 5 years, then vice-president of Thomson-CSF for 12 years. In 2000, he took over the Auverland brand, a well-known manufacturer of off-road vehicles, then Panhard, a manufacturer of military vehicles, which he later sold to Volvo after developing it into a European leader in light armoured vehicles. In addition, Christian was Chairman of GICAT (Groupement des Industries Françaises de Défense Terrestre) and Chairman of the French Armament Manufacturers' Union.

Throughout his career, Christian has never abandoned his Cap Corse roots. In 2000, he decided to revive the centuries-old family estate. He took over the management of the historic olive tree groves. He purchased all the jointly-owned plots from his cousins and reorganised the estate's 25 hectares.

This was a colossal task, as the entire area had been neglected and was overgrown with scrub. But after 15 years of hard work, the first grapes were finally harvested!

Today, Christian's «Terra di Catoni» estate is producing some outstanding organic wines and olive oils. He loves to take visitors on tours of his vineyards in 4x4 vehicles, driving up and down some incredible slopes. But that's not all. Christian also opens up exciting opportunities for local producers of charcuterie and honey in his boutiques/restaurants in Porticciolo, Erbalunga, Macinaggio and Bastia.

These are all places you'll be delighted to discover during the Driver's Rally.

www.terraticatoni.com





TEAMS

ORGANIZATION, A FINELY-TUNED TEAM

A rally can't be set up with a click of the fingers. For the Driver's Rally Cap Corse, Franz can count on a loyal team which has been working with him for a long time organizing these signature events. Events where logistics on the ground are forever the focus of the organizers' attention to ensure participants can keep their minds clear.

ASSISTANCE, PRESENT OVER THE 3 STAGES

Because your peace of mind is essential, you can count on an expert support team throughout the entire rally. Included in the entry fee: light repairs, tyre checks, fluid level checks... as well as a recovery vehicle to repatriate any vehicles which have broken down. Not included: major servicing or repairs.

THE DRIVER'S RALLY CAP CORSE EXTRAS

Rent a sports car!

Do you prefer to travel light and not bring your own car to take part in our rally?

Would you like to treat yourself and get behind the wheel of a sports car, yet you don't have one? No worries! We can offer you the services of a sports car rental company for the duration of the Driver's Rally Cap Corse. Contact us to find out available models.

Chartered Road Trip

Driver's Rally Cap Corse is an event open to automobile whether they're sporty, classical or modern, of any age, any type. This 3-stage «road trip» rally covers around 200 km per day in Corse. It will take place totally on public roads. Which means that the Highway code in effect in the country crossed must be strictly observed throughout the route.

Night-time events with other enthusiasts

Evening events with fellow enthusiasts Relax and unwind at get-togethers with the «Driver's Rally spirit».

Reportage photo

These photos will be sent to participants after the Driver's Rally Cap Corse.

Numbered lithograph

A numbered lithograph featuring the visual of the Driver's Rally Cap Corse 2025 will be offered to each at the briefing. Signed by Hervé Voët is a fine illustration of the magnificent Corsican landscapes you'll encounter along the way.

PRACTICAL INFO

VEHICLES ACCEPTED

An event open to automobiles whether they're sporty, classical or modern, of any age, any type, total number limited.

ENTRY FEE

€3,700 excl. VAT, i.e. €4,440 incl. VAT (20%). per participating team, all-inclusive price (apart from accommodation).

PC RALLY

It will also be set up at the 4* Hotel Castel Brando in Erbalunga.

ACCOMMODATION

The organizers highly-recommend the 4* Hotel Castel Brando in Erbalunga for participants www.castelbrando.com. Discounted rates available throughout the Driver's Rally Cap Corse.

We have decided not to include hotels in the entry fee for the following reasons:

- In this way, each participant is free to choose the class of hotel (*) and the type of guest rooms to best suit their needs.
- If participants already have a principal or second residence along the route, it prevents unnecessary costs.
- By paying for hotels directly, participants save the VAT (20%) on the cost of hotel services, which would have been included in the entry fee.

MEALS

- 1 cocktail reception for two.
- 3 aperitifs and dinners for two, including drinks.
- 3 country-style lunches for two, including drinks.

LOGISTICS

A minibus will follow the rally with seats available if required.

PRESENTING THE SOUVENIR LITHOGRAPH

Wednesday afternoon, May 28, at the briefing.

SAFETY & SECURITY

On the road, you'll be in constant contact with the organizing team. When you arrive, your cars will be parked on a guarded car park.

WEATHER

At this time of year, the days are pleasant and sunny thanks to the Mediterranean climate along the coast. coastline.

PROGRAM

Wednesday, May 28, 2005

Participants' arrival and welcome from 3pm at the 4* Hotel Castel Brando in Erbalunga 7pm: Briefing session followed by an aperitif and cocktail reception.

From Thursday May 29 to Saturday May 31 2025

Driver's Rally Cap Corse in 3 stages.

Sunday June 1st 2025

Return of participants.

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"During the 2023 Bolgheri Driver's Rally, my old friend Christian Mons-Catoni said to me, "«How about organising a rally in Cap Corse? I know the roads and we could have a lot of fun!»" The car and wine enthusiast's suggestion was certainly well received.

So I headed to Cap Corse to join him. We spent several days crisscrossing the region, looking for the best tracks as well as the most inviting restaurants. The result of this road trip between friends is what I would love to share with you from Wednesday 28 May to Sunday 1 June 2025.

Looking forward to seeing you very soon in Cap Corse!"

Franz

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